

More Defenses For Oahu Carried In Bill Just Passed by Congress

Infantry Redoubts and Other Prepared Positions Expected to Be Constructed

The Star-Bulletin sent a message to the Associated Press today asking if the army appropriation bill had been passed by Congress and received a reply that it had passed. Local army men were much interested in the fate of the bill.

The passage of the sundry civil bill during the closing hours of Congress will mean increased defenses for Oahu, according to the understanding of army officers here. The bill carried an item of \$6,000,216 for fortifications and it is understood that approximately \$100,000 of this amount will be allotted for the land defenses of Oahu.

The plans of the Macomb board which reported on the defense of Oahu two years and a half ago, call for infantry redoubts and other prepared positions and entrenchments, and it is understood that the new fortifications bill will provide for their construction. There are no additions to the seacoast fortifications contemplated at present.

In what form, if at all, the army appropriation bill was passed, is a matter of great interest to the service here. When the bill went to the senate, the proposed legislation to include captains of the Porto Rican regiment in the regular line of the infantry, was

cut out, and whether this was put back in conference is not known here. The absorption of these 11 captains by the infantry would be a serious block to promotion in the junior grades.

Another measure carried with the army appropriation bill from the senate is the placing of the judge advocate general's department on a detail system, and authorizing acting judge advocates for tactical brigades. At the present time there are six acting judge advocates with rank of captain, who do not, however, create files in their arm of the service when detailed. If brigade judge advocates are allowed and the detail plan adopted 18 files should be at once gained by detail, a large proportion of which would probably go to the infantry. At present the judge advocate general's department is the only one in which the permanent establishment is maintained. Under the new plan detail would be by competitive examination, the same system applying as in the ordinance department.

The army appropriation bill also carries a revision of the articles of war, which are greatly clarified and improved.

An item in the rivers and harbors bill appropriates \$22,000 for the removal of the present quarantine wharf, this being part of the general plan for enlarging and otherwise improving Honolulu harbor.

LETTERS

(The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space for anonymous communications.)

THE MOANALUA LINKS IN GOOD CONDITION.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.
Sir: I read with interest an article in your paper of the 1st inst., written from Fort Shafter, February 22, wherein your correspondent, in speaking

of the golf course at Moanalua, states that this course has gone off badly in the last few weeks, and is now far from being the source of pleasure it used to be in other days. Being a golfer myself and always having particularly enjoyed playing at Moanalua, I went down there at once with Mr. Frank Halstead for the purpose of inspecting the course, and we found the fairway and greens to be in just as good condition as they ever have been with the exception of the holes, which need to be shifted. This we had attended to at the time of our inspection, and have no hesitancy in stating that the links at Moanalua are second to none in the territory, and that playing there is as great a source of pleasure and satisfaction to us at least, as it ever has been.

H. B. GIFFARD.
Honolulu, March 4, 1915.

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THAYER SEES NO REAL HUMOR IN 'LAWBOOK FIGHT'

Secretary of the Territory Thayer declines to see any humor in the "lawbook fight." He has written a formal letter to the senate about it with a rather summary request that the senate come through with a receipt for one missing volume, Revised Laws of 1915.

As told in the second edition of the Star-Bulletin yesterday a baby typhoon raged around the senate chamber and capitol halls yesterday afternoon because Thayer had taken from the senate chamber a copy of the new Revised Laws and because later the sergeant-at-arms was instructed to get it back.

The situation has seemed to amuse the senators highly but it does not amuse Thayer. He sent the following letter to the president of the senate today:

"Mar. 4, 1915.
"Hon. Charles F. Chillingworth,
"President of the Senate,
"Honolulu, Hawaii."

"Dear Sir: In the afternoon paper of yesterday and in the morning paper of today, I see a long account of a debate which took place in the senate yesterday relating to the matter of the three copies of the Revised Laws of 1915 which are in possession of the senate. The implication in these articles and the statements reported to have been made by the senators present a serious charge against myself which I do not feel I can leave unanswered.

"I beg to call your attention to Act 11 of the Session Laws of 1913, which created the commission to compile the Revised Laws of 1915. Section 10 of said act provides as follows:

"The said compilation shall be printed and bound and shall be presented by the commission to the legislature at its next regular session; provided, however, that when said compilation is completed the secretary of the territory shall cause such a number of copies, chosen as to him may seem necessary, to be printed and bound, which, when so printed and bound, may be furnished by him free of charge to government officials for official use, and may be sold by him at ten dollars (\$10.00) a volume for the benefit of the Territory."

"On Monday, March 1, six copies of the Revised Laws of 1915 were delivered by the Star-Bulletin, Ltd., to the Legislature. These copies should have been delivered, in accordance with the terms of the above quoted section, to the secretary to be by him delivered to the senate and the house. The Star-Bulletin Co. informed me on Tuesday that no more copies of the Revised Laws of 1915 would be ready for distribution until next Monday. As the work of all the executive departments was being held up pending the securing of copies of the new laws, I secured from the house of representatives one copy of the three which had been delivered to it, and I took the same action in the senate.

"You will please note that these volumes were legally placed in my custody by the act referred to, and the mere fact of their delivery to the senate does not relieve me of my responsibility for accounting for them. The statements made in the senate, therefore, that I had acted without right in securing a copy from the senate for the use of the executive department are incorrect. All of the volumes at present in the hands of the senate are still legally in my custody, and must be so until I have delivered them to the senate, and received the receipt of the clerk of the senate therefor.

"If the proceedings in the senate concerning this matter are to remain upon the Record, I respectfully suggest that this letter also be made a part of the Senate Record.

"I further request that a receipt for the volumes of the Revised Laws of 1915 still remaining in the possession of the senate be forwarded to me at your early convenience."

Yours very truly,
"WADE WARREN THAYER,
"Secretary of Hawaii."

AUTO CLUB HAS ITS COMMITTEES ALREADY AT WORK

Active work by the Honolulu Automobile club is foreshadowed by the announcement of the following committees:

Standing committees appointed by board of governors:
Membership committee—E. M. Ehrhorn, chairman; Gerrit P. Wilder, Geo. G. Guild.
Exhibitions, contents, runs and tours—S. S. Paxson, chairman; E. E. Dodge, D. P. R. Isenberg, Norman Watkins, O. E. Wall.

The following committees are already working with the legislature in order to secure the passage of the proper laws and ordinances governing traffic:
Laws and ordinances—J. W. Pratt, chairman; C. W. Ashford, J. P. Lynch, H. A. Wilder, S. S. Paxson.
Good roads committee—H. Stuart Johnson, chairman; J. J. Belser, J. L. Young, J. W. Pratt, Geo. P. Denison.
Auditing committee—L. H. Underwood, chairman; A. J. Lowry, C. N. Marquez.

Already the committees are interesting themselves in pending legislation, particularly the territory-wide auto law proposed, and is working on plans to regulate traffic, etc.

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DAMAGING EVIDENCE AGAINST KUPIHEA GIVEN BY SISTER

Judge Whitney Also Testifies Representative Did Not Protect Daughter From Evil

More damaging evidence against David M. Kupihea, representative from Oahu, was given late yesterday at the third hearing of the house investigating committee when Mrs. Lou Johnson, mother of Rose Johnson, one of the girls concerned, and sister of Kupihea, declared she saw both Kupihea and his wife in company with several soldiers and the girls at the luau in the cottage at the rear of Kupihea's home on Christmas day.

"Was Kupihea at the luau in the unoccupied part of the cottage?" asked Chairman Rawlins of the witnesses.

"Yes, both Kupihea and his wife were there. I was passing the front part of the house and the door was open, so I looked in as I passed," she answered in Hawaiian.

"Were the girls there?"

"Yes, I saw the girls and some soldiers sitting down there also," she answered.

"How long did the party keep up?"

"During the day and part of the night."

"How many days did it last?"

"One day."

"Was that on Christmas?"

"I think so."

"Did you make any complaint?"

"Yes, I went to United States Attorney McGinnis, but he wasn't in. His boy, though, who I think was named Mendel, told me to go to the police. So I went to see Charlie Rice, but he wasn't in. I went to the police again, but nothing happened."

"Why did you complain? Was it about the noise?" Rawlins continued.

"Yes, and also because of my little girl," Mrs. Johnson replied in Hawaiian.

"Did you ever tell your little girl to stay away from the soldiers?"

"Yes, but I couldn't make her obey me. She has an awful temper."

"How did you happen to have the Kupihea girls staying at your place?"

"I felt sorry for them, so when Rose told me that Kupihea had ordered them out of his home and had thrown their clothes out after them, I invited them to live with me."

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Circuit Judge Whitney, presiding over the juvenile court, related the past official history of the Kupihea girls. He said that they were first brought before him on April 4, 1912, and that at that time he requested Kupihea to confer with him over the disposition of their cases. He said Kupihea did not heed the request.

Again on June 4 the girls were brought to court for running around the streets at night, the Judge said, and Kupihea was asked to take some action, which, the court said, Kupihea failed to do. On February 3, 1913, the girls were brought before the juvenile court again and in September of 1913 the younger girl was brought up after it was discovered that she was involved with a Chinaman on Liliha street. Evidence was introduced at that time to show that the Chinaman had a trap door at the Liliha street place and whenever visitors came he would hide the girl under the trap door.

On October 8, 1913, the girls were brought in again and committed to the Girls' Industrial school. A few days later Kupihea made application to the court for permission to take the girls out of the industrial school and place them in a convent. Permission was granted, but a month later, Judge Whitney said, the convent informed the court that Kupihea had refused to pay the girls' tuition and that the girls had consequently been released. Later the girls were sent to a day school.

Rose Johnson, who said she was 14 years old, took the stand and related her part in the affair. She said her father was a season and was usually at sea. She said she had frequently gone in the unoccupied part of the cottage with the soldiers and the Kupihea girls. She said she saw Kupihea there at the same time that the soldiers and the girls were there. She said that the soldiers gave the girls 15 cents once to buy candy.

"How many times did you see your uncle David with the soldiers?" Rawlins asked.

"Several times. Sometimes at night and sometimes during the day."

"Who gave these soldiers permission to go into the house with you?"

"They said 'David.'"

The hearing will be continued Saturday at 1 o'clock.

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BY AUTHORITY

Ordinance No. 73.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 71, ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES, THE EXAMINATION OF AND CERTIFICATION OF CHAUFFEURS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE, AND REPEALING SECTIONS 32 TO 47, INCLUSIVE OF ORDINANCE NO. 11, AND ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith. "BY AMENDING SECTIONS 9, 10 AND 22 THEREOF, AND ADDING NEW SECTIONS TO BE KNOWN AS SECTIONS 5a, 5b AND 5c.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 71 shall be amended by adding a new section thereto to be known as Section 5a so as to read as follows:

SECTION 5a. NUMBER PLATES ISSUED BY SHERIFF.

Upon registration or re-registration annually, the sheriff shall issue and deliver to each owner of motor vehicles under Class A two official number plates of uniform size, color and design, and for Class B two official number plates of uniform size, color and design. The color of such plates shall be changed from time to time in order to distinguish the various annual issues of plates.

Plates of Class A shall be marked with Arabic numerals, preceded by the letters H. O. N., with the distinguishing number assigned to the motor vehicle registered.

The plates for Class B shall be of appropriate size, containing Arabic numerals not less than 2 inches in height.

SECTION 2. A new section shall be added to Ordinance No. 71 to be known as Section 5b so as to read as follows:

SECTION 5b. NUMBER PLATES—WHERE DISPLAYED.

The owner of each motor vehicle so registered in Classes A, C and D, before such vehicles shall be permitted to operate upon any street or public place, shall display and keep displayed upon the front and rear part of said vehicle, and in such position that it can be plainly seen at all times, the registered number of said vehicle. Such number shall be kept reasonably clean so as to be plainly legible.

The number plate, when placed upon the rear of a vehicle, shall be not less than 18 inches clear of the road.

The owner of each motorcycle registered under Class B, before such vehicle shall be permitted to operate upon any street or public place, shall display and keep displayed upon the front and rear part of said vehicle, and in such position that it can be plainly seen at all times, the registered number of said vehicle. Such number shall be kept reasonably clean so as to be plainly legible, and shall be not less than 18 inches clear of the road.

SECTION 3. That a new section shall be added to Ordinance No. 71 to be known as Section 5c so as to read as follows:

SECTION 5c. LOSS OF CERTIFICATE OR PLATE—NEW ONES ISSUED.

Upon satisfactory proof of the loss or destruction of any certificate of registration, re-registration, or transfer, the sheriff shall issue a duplicate thereof to the person entitled thereto, provided, however, that in the case of issuing a new plate, the Sheriff shall be entitled to charge a fee sufficient to cover costs of procuring such new plate.

In case of a loss or destruction of a number plate the Sheriff may grant a special temporary permit, in writing, to the person entitled to use such number to use a number plate other than the one issued by the Sheriff until a new number plate in place of the lost or destroyed plate shall have been procured by him, and issued in place of the former plate.

SECTION 4. Section 9 shall be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 9. All certificates of registration heretofore issued shall expire ninety days from and after the date this Ordinance goes into effect. All vehicles required to be registered under this Ordinance shall re-register on or before such time.

SECTION 5. Section 10 shall be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 10. REGISTRATION TO CONTINUE UNTIL JANUARY, 1916. RE-REGISTRATION ANNUALLY—ABANDONED NUMBER RE-ISSUED—WHEN.

The registration of vehicles under Classes A (Automobiles) and B (Motorcycles) shall continue until January 1, 1916, and thereafter all such vehicles shall be re-registered annually, such re-registration to continue in force until January 1st of the following year.

All annual re-registration shall be made between the 1st day of January and the last day of February of each year.

Whenever a number has not been re-registered as required by this Section, and for thirty days thereafter, the said number shall be deemed to have been abandoned by the person to whom it

had been issued, who shall have no claim thereafter to the use of said number, as provided in Section 5. Thereafter the Sheriff may issue a new original registration to a different person under the said abandoned number. The former owner shall not be entitled to operate a motor vehicle, except under a new original number.

Section 6. Section 21 shall be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 21. FEE FOR EXAMINING AN APPLICANT.

The fee for examining an applicant for a license to drive a motor vehicle shall be deposited with the application in the hands of the Examiner of Chauffeurs, who shall pay over the same to the Sheriff immediately. Such fees shall be deposited by the Sheriff with the Treasurer on the last day of each month next after the time when the applicant has passed his examination.

The fee for examining an applicant for a certificate, as a chauffeur to drive a motorcycle, shall be \$1.00, and for examining an applicant for a certificate as a chauffeur to drive any other motor vehicle, shall be \$3.00.

The fee for issuing a permanent certificate, issued upon a temporary certificate, shall be 50 cents.

SECTION 7. Section 22 shall be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 22. FEES FOR REGISTRATION, RE-REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER REGISTRATION.

CLASS A. For all vehicles included in Class A, the fee for original registration shall be \$5.00, which shall include the charge for two number plates to be furnished by the Sheriff.

The fee for transfer registration of the same number already registered to include a new owner, or a new vehicle operated under a number already issued, shall be 50 cents.

The fee for annual re-registration shall be \$1.00, which shall include the cost of two number plates to be furnished by the Sheriff.

CLASS B. For all vehicles in Class B, the fee for original registration shall be \$3.00, which shall include the charge for two plates to be furnished by the Sheriff.

The fee for all transfer registration shall be the same as for Class A.

The fee for the annual re-registration shall be 50 cents, which shall include the charge to be made for two number plates to be furnished by the Sheriff.

Classes C and D. No fee shall be charged for original registration.

No annual registration shall be required.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its approval.

Introduced by

BEN HOLLINGER,
Supervisor.

Date of introduction, February 2, 1915.

Approved this 1st day of March, A. D. 1915.

JOHN C. LANE,
Mayor, City and County of Honolulu,
T. H.

6102-March 2, 4, 5.

Resolution No. 23.

Be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, that the following sums amounting to Four Thousand One Hundred and Thirteen and 56-100 (\$4,113.56) Dollars be and the same are hereby appropriated out of all moneys in the General Fund of the Treasury for the following purposes, to wit:

Expense street lighting.....\$ 350.00
Police force, incidentals..... 30.00
City and County Engineer, salaries and payrolls..... 61.05
District Court, incidentals..... 70.05
Premium on insurance..... 25.00
Purchase street signs..... 217.00
Water rates, court houses..... 27.90
Clerk, incidentals..... 143.06
Auditor, furniture and fixtures 572.00
Hospital expense, Leahi Home 112.50
Construction school work-shop 2500.00 and.

Be it further resolved, that the sum of Twenty-eight Hundred and Sixty-eight and 75-100 (\$2,868.75) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of all moneys in the Water Works Fund of the Treasury for an account known as Salaries and Payrolls.